(ख) यदि नहीं, तो विलम्ब के क्या कारण है; और

(ग) यदि उपर्युक्त भाग (क) का उत्तर "हां" हो, तो उस विस्तृत रिपोर्ट पर सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री ब्रह्म दत्त) (क) से (ग) गैस अथारिटी आफ इंडिया ने मध्य प्रदेश के बिजयपुर में एल०पी०जी० रिकवरी प्लांट के लिए एक सम्भाव्यता रिपोर्ट तैयार की है । इस प्रस्ताव को प्रोसेस करने के लिए कार्यवाही आरम्भ कर दी गई है ।

Payment of interim compensation by the Union Carbide Corporation

694. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 644 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 2nd May, 1988 and state:

(a) whether the Union Carbide Corporation has deposited the amount as directed by the Madhya Pradesh High Court; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) if not, what is Central Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The Union Carbide Corporation has filed a Review Petition in the High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Jabalpur. Government has also filed a Special Leave Petition in the Supreme Court of India for restoration of the amount ordered to be paid by the Court of District Judge, Bhopal, as interim compensation.

Power deficit in Eastern region

695. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that power deficit is increasing in the eastern region as compared to the other regions of the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are the concrete steps being taken by Government to minimise the deficit in that region?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) and (b) The energy shortage in different Regions during April —June, 1987 *vis-a-vis* April—June. 1988 was as under:—

	Percentage April-June 1988	Shortage April-June 1988
Northern Region	7.3	6.8
Western Region	3.3	3.0
Southern Region	15.6	18.1
Eastern Region	11.7	10.7
North-Eastern Region	6.7	6.2

(c) Steps being taken by the Government to minimise the deficit in Eastern Region include expediting commissioning of new capacity programmes, optimum utilisation of existing capacity; implementing short gestation projects; reducing tranmission and distribution losses; implementation of energy conservation and demand management measures; arranging transfer of energy from surplus to deficit areas.

पूर्वी दिल्ली में घरेलू गैस के वितरकों की सूची

696. **श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक :** क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान दिल्ली संघ राज्य क्षेत्र के पूर्वी क्षेत्र में कितने आवेदकों के नाम घरेलू गैस वितरकों के यहां पंजीकृत थे और जिनके नाम अभी भी प्रतीक्षा सूची में हैं;